

# A NEW DIRECTION



The 110th Congress is working together, making progress for the American people on the toughest challenges we face. Since January, more than 65 key measures have passed the House, with more than 70 percent receiving significant bipartisan support.

## ACCOMPLISHED

- ★ First minimum wage increase in 10 years
- ★ Highest ethical standards in Congressional history
- ★ Pay-as-you-go budget discipline restored
- ★ Fiscal discipline balances budget by 2012
- ★ Emergency troop funding and tripling of MRAP troop safety vehicles
- ★ Tighter foreign investment rules, after Dubai Ports
- ★ Iraq benchmarks, progress report required
- ★ Emergency children's health coverage
- ★ Overdue disaster aid to farmers and ranchers
- ★ Overdue hurricane aid to rebuild Gulf Coast
- ★ Emergency funding to fight wildfires
- ★ U.S. Attorney appointments depoliticized
- ★ Vigorous Congressional oversight restored
- ★ Green the Capitol to cut carbon footprint 50%
- ★ National Summit on America's Children

## HEADED FOR PRESIDENT'S DESK

- ★ 9-11 Commission recommendations

## ON PRESIDENT'S DESK

- ★ Reduction of backlog on passports

## VETOED BY PRESIDENT

- ★ Timetables to redeploy troops from Iraq
- ★ Expansion of life-saving stem cell research

## PASSED HOUSE AND SENATE

- ★ Largest expansion of college aid since GI Bill
- ★ Sweeping lobby reform effort
- ★ New care standards for wounded warriors
- ★ 3.5% military pay raise, opposed by President
- ★ Double basic R&D funds for Innovation
- ★ Head Start preschool improved and expanded
- ★ Unethical student loan practices cleaned up
- ★ Fighting gas price gouging, OPEC price fixing
- ★ Safe drinking water efforts expanded
- ★ Sweeping prescription drug safety reform

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## PASSED HOUSE

- ★ Largest veterans' health care increase in history
- ★ Investments to fix military readiness crisis
- ★ 3,000 new border patrol agents
- ★ Repeal \$14 billion in subsidies to Big Oil and reinvest in clean energy
- ★ 100,000 Math/science scholarships, 25,000 teachers
- ★ Incentives for small business innovation
- ★ Farm Bill for 21st century
- ★ More affordable small business loans
- ★ Small businesses given fair access to federal contracts
- ★ Voter deception made a federal crime
- ★ Free choice for workers to bargain
- ★ Medicare required to negotiate cheaper drugs
- ★ Health care discrimination based on DNA banned
- ★ 50,000 new police officers on the street
- ★ Background checks for gun buys improved
- ★ Collective bargaining rights for first responders
- ★ Pay discrimination law strengthened to protect women
- ★ D.C. voting rights in Congress
- ★ Contracting reforms to fight waste, fraud and abuse, save taxpayers' money
- ★ Whistleblower protections strengthened
- ★ Public access to Presidential records restored
- ★ Freedom of Information Act strengthened
- ★ Shareholders given a vote on executive pay

## HEADED FOR HOUSE VOTE

- ★ Energy Independence initiative
- ★ Health coverage for 11 million children
- ★ Seniors' access to doctors protected

*"They can send their members home crowing about their accomplishments, and they've done it in a bipartisan way, which is exactly what they promised to do."*  
- Rep. Ray LaHood (R-Ill.)

